

# **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATORS CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS**

## **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATORS BASIC CERTIFICATE**

1. Complete Basic at MLEA
2. 1 yr employment with the same agency

## **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATORS INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE**

1. Shall possess the PSC Basic and 1 yr w/ Agency
2. 4 yrs & 40 hours
3. 5 yrs & 30 hours
4. 4 yrs & 20 hours w/ AA Degree
5. 3 yrs & 20 hours w/ BA or BS Degree

## **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATORS ADVANCED CERTIFICATE**

1. Shall possess the INTERMEDIATE Certificate
2. Must have completed 40 hours of professional development courses such as:
  - Haz Mat
  - EMD
  - Incident Command System
  - Legal Aspect Course Recognized by POST Council
3. 8 yrs & 40 hrs
4. 10 yrs & 30 hrs
5. 8 yrs & 20 hours w/ AA Degree
6. 6 yrs & 20 hours w/ BA or BS or Masters Degree

## **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATORS SUPERVISORY CERTIFICATE**

1. Shall possess the INTERMEDIATE Certificate
2. Must have completed the **Supervisory** Course at MLEA or the equivalent.
3. Shall currently and for one-year served satisfactorily at the Supervisory level.
4. Out-of-state Communicator's who are employed at that level are eligible if they complete the following:
  - Served in the Supervisory Level for at least one-year
  - The POST Council determines if their training is equivalent to Montana Requirements

- Must complete an *equivalency test* approved by the POST Council and administered by MLEA
  - Applicant must pass with at 75% or more
5. If the applicants fail the equivalency test, they must complete the Supervisory course at MLEA.
  6. The applicant must complete the Legal School at MLEA.
  7. This position is above the operational level for which *commensurate pay is authorized*.

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATORS COMMAND CERTIFICATE**

1. Shall possess the SUPERVISORY Certificate
2. Must have completed the **Command** or **Mid-Management** course at MLEA or the equivalent (Min of 40 hours of Mid-Management type courses).
3. Shall currently and for one-year served satisfactorily at the Command or Mid-Management level prior to the date of appointment.
4. Out-of-state experience and training must:
  - Currently and for one-year have served at the Command or Mid-Management level
  - Completed a Command or Mid- Management course recognized by the POST Council
  - Pass a POST Council background review

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATORS ADMINISTRATORS CERTIFICATE**

1. Possess the ADVANCED Certificate
2. Must have completed the **Administrative** or **Management** course at MLEA or the equivalent as designated by the POST Council (minimum of 80 hours).
3. Shall currently and for one-year served satisfactorily at the Administrative or Management level.
4. Out-of-state experience and training must:
  - Currently and for one-year have served at the Command or Mid-Management level
  - Completed a Command or Mid- Management course recognized by the POST Council
  - Pass a POST Council background review